

Requests for Aid to Jews - General: SHAPLEIGH, Rogers W. (Mrs.)

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APR 13 1944

In reply please  
refer to: 452

Dear Mrs. Shapleigh:

A copy of your letter of March 29, 1944, to the Honorable Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., concerning the treatment of the Jews in occupied Europe, has been referred to me.

Your interest in refugee problems is greatly appreciated. I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to provide speedy and effective rescue programs to save the persecuted minorities who are in imminent danger of death.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Mrs. Rogers W. Shapleigh,  
614 Park Avenue,  
Baltimore, Maryland.

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My dear Mr. Pehle:

I enclose herewith for your information a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Stettinius by Mrs. Rogers W. Shapleigh, regarding the treatment of Jews in Europe.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

*Hayden Raynor*  
Hayden Raynor  
Special Assistant to  
the Under Secretary

Mr. John W. Pehle,  
Acting Executive Director,  
War Refugee Board,  
Washington 25, D.C.

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614 Park Avenue,  
Baltimore, Maryland,  
March 29, 1944.

Hon. Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.,  
Department of State,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stettinius:

Many of us have been greatly stirred by the continued news of the awful treatment of the Jews in different parts of Europe. Surely it seems as if the tradition of our country as an asylum for the oppressed should be upheld at this time. So I am writing to beg that you do all that is in your power to have the administration of our immigration laws altered now to admit at least some of those Jews who are still alive in Europe.

Hoping this can be accomplished,

Very sincerely,

IRMA G. SHAPLEIGH  
(Mrs. Rogers W.)

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In reply please  
refer to: 406

APR 7 1944

Dear Mrs. Shapleigh:

Thank you for your letter of March 29, 1944, concerning the establishment of the War Refugee Board and my appointment as Executive Director.

The interest which you have expressed in the fate of the Jewish refugees in Europe is appreciated. I assure you that everything in our power will be done to see that effective action is taken to carry out the policy of this Government to save the victims of enemy oppression who are in imminent danger of death.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Fehle  
Executive Director

Mrs. Rogers W. Shapleigh,  
614 Park Avenue,  
Baltimore, Maryland.

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117, Park Avenue, Baltimore, Md.  
 March 29, 1944

Mr. John W. Telle  
 War Refugee Board  
 Treasury Department  
 Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Telle - I have been  
 greatly, I might say, horrified, as have many  
 others of course, by the published  
 news of the terrible conditions  
 of the Jews in different parts  
 of Europe. So we rejoice that  
 the War Refugee Board has been  
 set up with you as Director.  
 It seems evident that special  
 attention must be given to  
 the Jews in Europe, who are  
 still alive, are to be saved.  
 It is true, is it not, that all  
 Americans of good will are very  
 proud of the tradition of our  
 country as a refuge for the  
 oppressed from other parts of  
 the world? So does it not

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It seems to you that the admission  
 of our immigration  
 laws may be altered so as  
 to admit at least some of  
 the Jews in Europe who  
 need us here, so badly?  
 Hoping this may be done,

Very sincerely

Samuel T. Chaplin  
 (Mr. Rogers W.)

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